

1 TS: I wonder why they put two people down in the  
2 report.

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4 SR: Because they didn't know what to do and got stupid.  
5 But that, see that construction outfit owns the land  
6 those cars are parked on. That land not owned by  
7 them it's owned by the construction company.

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9 TS: I might take a run up there after this.

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11 SR: They lease it.

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13 TS: Is it all fenced in the back?

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15 SR: We could go up there and talk to them. I don't  
16 have any problem stealing that out of there. I like the  
17 friendly atmosphere up there.

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19 TS: Tell me how you lit that one.

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21 SR: Huh?

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23 TS: Tell me how you lit that one.

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25 SR: All it takes is one match, that's it. I don't care  
26 what anybody says.

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29 END OF TAPE NO. 25, SIDE ONE, CASE NO. 21-298  
30 DATE: JANUARY 19, 1986.

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32 TAPE NO. 25, SIDE TWO, CASE NO. 21-298  
33 DATE JANUARY 19, 1986.

1 TS: Cops place and you stood there and watched it  
2 huh?

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4 SR: Yeah, did it twice, but they'll see what I'm doing

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6 TS: Steve.

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8 SR: As far as they're concerned they're still playing  
9 with amateur people who don't know what they're  
10 doing. And just, that's exactly what I want them  
11 to keep thinking.

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13 TS: They must of went out.

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15 SR: They start they.

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17 TS: and killed a chicken or something.

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19 SR: They start getting nervous and worried that there's  
20 a lot more people in on it or they have to have  
21 more help and they can't call in other people. You  
22 know to establish your alibi I happen to know  
23 people out there that are better than I am and  
24 stronger than I am and crazier than I am that  
25 I did work for and for money people will work  
26 for anybody.

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28 TS: Oh, you still got that lens?

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30 SR: I can pick it up any day of the week that I want  
31 to pick it up.

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33 TS: Will that fit one of my cameras?

1 SR: It will fit just about any 35 millimeter camera.  
2 There's an adapter that makes it, it can be made  
3 three times more powerful than it is with an  
4 adapter you know.  
5

6 TS: Where did that come from?  
7

8 SR: Japan.  
9

10 TS: Huh?  
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12 SR: Japan. It came from Japan to Philadelphia from  
13 Philadelphia to me.  
14

15 TS: Mailed right to you?  
16

17 SR: Yep. Not directly it was picked up. Nobody knew  
18 what it was. Nobody ever seen it. It was boxed  
19 up. You couldn't guess what it is because when it  
20 comes to an 800 millimeter lens nobody's what they  
21 look like.  
22

23 TS: A what?  
24

25 SR: An 800 millimeter lens. Nobody knows what they  
26 look like. The only one larger in the world is  
27 1200 millimeter and they quit making them  
28 long ago and there is only four of them on the  
29 face of the earth. It's a Canon. Canon came up  
30 with them.  
31

32 TS: Canada. What is a Canada? What does it look  
33 like a canon?

1 SR: It's a Canon 800 millimeter lens.

2

3 TS: A product?

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5 SR: Yeah, that's a brand name.

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7 TS: What lens?

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9 SR: 800 millimeter.

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11 TS: 800 millimeter. 800 millimeter. You could see a flea  
12 on a monkey a mile away. I would like to use  
13 that.

14

15 SR: You could say 800 millimeter to someone who's not  
16 familiar with cameras what do you think an 800  
17 millimeter lens would look like.

18

19 TS: Must look like one of them things like ah, you  
20 look at the moon with.

21

22 SR: It's this big around in the front.

23

24 TS: What's that about 8 inches.

25

26 SR: Exactly, and as long as this table. You don't hold  
27 it in you hand to take pictures. I had a good  
28 set-up for it. A tripod, extra adapter on the  
29 front, latched on to the sliding window. In the  
30 Bronco shot, the I use to take them out of the  
31 Bronco.

32

33 TS: Yeah, that where you took pictures of me right?

1 SR: Nah, that doesn't make any sense does it?

2

3 TS: Nah.

4

5 SR: That was to soon we didn't have any trouble when  
6 I had the Bronco. It was long after Bronco.  
7 You know they had the vehicles for almost two  
8 years now.

9

10 TS: Huh?

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12 SR: Two years.

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14 TS: It's none of my business, but I want to know how  
15 the hell you did that job up there.

16

17 SR: Say what?

18

19 TS: That one up there.

20

21 SR: Just one match.

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23 TS: One match.

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25 SR: That's all it takes. You would be surprised what you  
26 could do with one match.

27

28 TS: How many vehicles did you burn up there?

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30 SR: A dozen or so. Some where around there. It spread  
31 fast. That's why you don't use anything hot cause you  
32 never stop it. It would of kept going for hours  
33 and you can't stop fires like that with anything

1 but foam. It would of got totally out of hand if  
2 there was any dynamite or gunpower involved.  
3

4 TS: You used three things at S and S Lumber so what  
5 in the hell did you use up there. Three things  
6 again.  
7

8 SR: Whatever was available. I didn't take anything  
9 up there.  
10

11 TS: You stood right there and the cops were running around  
12

13 SR: Yeah well.  
14

15 TS: Must have been an adrenaline rush I tell yeah.  
16

17 SR: If you do enough of it its like going to work every  
18 day.  
19

20 TS: Sure you got yourself well covered even with Marley's  
21 house?  
22

23 SR: When you work alone how can anybody else say any-  
24 thing. How could anybody possibly give you any  
25 trouble. If you, you know no matter how major  
26 the crime scene is it's no differen then picking  
27 up a pack of gum out of a grocery store. If  
28 you're the only one who knows that you put it in  
29 your pocket how could you get caught. You never  
30 told anybody you did it.  
31

32 TS: Look me right square in the eye.  
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1 SR: Take your eyes out and I could look right square  
2 in the holes.

3  
4 TS: Look me right square in the eye...

5  
6 SR: There's nobody else knows envolved. Never was  
7 never will be.

8  
9 TS: And say to me, there was nobody else up there.

10  
11 SR: I just did. There was nobody else up there. The  
12 only other people that's ever been up there are  
13 people I hired to watch it when they gave me  
14 all them lies that's all.

15  
16 TS: I still don't understand why there was two people  
17 on that report then.

18  
19 SR: It wasn't me.

20  
21 TS: Your saying that you're the only one that did it and  
22 that's it.

23  
24 SR: That's right. So lets face it now how could one  
25 guy do it. You know, logically how could they think  
26 one guy could do it. You know, logically how could  
27 they think I did all the things that they fear that  
28 I've done in my life time. You know they have  
29 reports from people like Squiddley and Lynett and  
30 stuff right. How do they. How can they.

31  
32 TS: All of hart that you went a 100 per cent alone.

33

1 SR: You can check everthing all my vehicles if you  
2 want to. Like I'm telling you them. The only one  
3 that knew about those three vehicles was you.  
4 There's nobody else on the face of the earth that  
5 knows.

6  
7 TS: Okay.

8  
9 SR: But you. The only reason the guy didn't find no-  
10 thing is because you were a good mechanic...

11  
12 TS: Yeah.

13  
14 SR: and gave me the bill.

15  
16 TS: So, did we order?

17  
18 SR: Yeah, it will be about a week. What's you're hurry  
19 you ain't got a date for the day do you?

20  
21 TS: No. Maybe I will. Maybe I'll just go and get  
22 myself a date.

23  
24 SR: Did you give up on that girl from Scranton.

25  
26 TS: She went to Fort Lauderdale. She was nice. Well  
27 I hope you come out of this thing all right.

28  
29 SR: I don't foresee any problem with it.

30  
31 TS: You got yourself covered up there on that arson  
32 right?

33



1 SR: They haven't made any arrests yet.

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3 TS: The Firebird. You say nobody went in with you on  
4 that one.

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6 SR: They sure have their problems don't they. See that's  
7 the worse problem that's why they talk to all my  
8 friends. They know someone has to be in on it  
9 with me, and they try and pull them apart you  
10 understand. They don't ever talk to me because  
11 they can't pull me, they don't get nothing out of me.  
12 You should have been there the day Squiddley  
13 showed up. I was hot about how he came out  
14 of that car jumping and screaming and the only  
15 thing I said to him. I said, "listen here you  
16 mother fucker I'm a human being and you hain't  
17 got no right to talk to me like that. You can  
18 get back in your car and get out of my sight  
19 I'll talk to Lynett at least he can talk civilized  
20 and sensible Lynett would never raise his voice  
21 like that." I know Lynett since I was knee high and  
22 Squiddley don't have the right. I had to go down  
23 and bail Dave Pickens out because of him.  
24 Twenty-five hundred dollars it cost me. The only  
25 thing Squiddley said when it was all over was, I  
26 didn't know he was your friend. Squiddley work-  
27 ed him over. Dave was beat-up pretty good.  
28 There was three guys involved in the fight and  
29 the only one arrested was Dave Pickens. And  
30 they wouldn't. You know they called me at home  
31 and told me that the I.P.'s in Stroudsburg was  
32 going to close at ten o'clock and they called me  
33 at quarter of ten you know. Swiderski picks

1 Dave up at seven o'clock at night and jerks him  
2 around until ten o'clock and they had to take  
3 him to jail. They wouldn't hold him there for  
4 another fifteen minutes for me to get there with  
5 the money that's stupid. And then before. Then  
6 that night I staid all that night talking to the  
7 kids involved in the fight and before moring they  
8 dropped the charges. Squiddley didn't like that  
9 at all. I went down for that hearing and Squiddley  
10 never showed up.  
11

12 TS: Wow.

13  
14 SR: He never even bothered calling the magistrate to  
15 tell him they dropped the charges. He tried hard  
16 to get that kid in trouble. See when it comes  
17 down to trial I don't think ah, Flugel will be  
18 there. It will be Swiderski that's all. He can't  
19 explain how he says that there's no more scratches  
20 and stuff like that and he had to pry the dash-  
21 board apart to look at it. He's got everything  
22 backwards. I mean I got pictures of at least  
23 eight different vehicles there's no way you can  
24 see the numbers through the windshield dash-  
25 board or whatever and the rivets were scratched  
26 and were the wrong type. The only way the rivets  
27 can be seen is from underneath the car with a  
28 mirror. That's the only way.  
29

30 TS: You're lying to me about something else too.  
31 There's no way you could have got them in his  
32 house cause he's got a dog in that house.  
33

1 SR: Man were talking a long time ago. You don't think  
2 his wife takes that dog out. I tell you when you  
3 go up to that house right.  
4

5 TS: What date did you?  
6

7 SR: Stand along the house.  
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9 TS: When did you take that Firebird. How many years ago  
10 was that?  
11

12 SR: Long time ago man it's been awhile you, you act like every-  
13 thing was yesterday, were talking 84 they were all  
14 taken in 84, they had everything for over a year. I'm,  
15 I'm talking, when you walk up to his house you  
16 can see where I watched it. You walk up to his  
17 house and look to the left there's a stonewall from  
18 an old place that use to be there, go back behind  
19 there and just like directly across from his house  
20 you'll see things that I left there all the while I  
21 was watching. You know it's easy to know where he's  
22 at. When he goes on duty he's on duty. Yeah you  
23 know, so it's not hard to watch him. And when his  
24 wife goes to work she goes to work and takes the  
25 kids with him. Swiderski spends a lot of time  
26 with his mother a lot of time, his mother or her  
27 mother one of them.  
28

29 TS: And that car is zipo.  
30

31 SR: History. When it's all over your going to have to see the  
32 exact replica of that, my pickup and my Bronco. I  
33 got. There's no way they're taking nothing. Prome me.

1 I got 'em.

2  
3 TS: You got the exact same things again?

4  
5 SR: All again and you know what before I'm done they'll  
6 all be approved. I sent all the paperwork in it's  
7 inspected.

8  
9 TS: Well don't take 'em to my garage.

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11 SR: You don't have.

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13 TS: I don't have no inspection no more.

14  
15 SR: I have my stickers come in the mail.

16  
17 Female: Your breakfast will be right up.

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19 TS: Okay.

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21 SR: The one on my dumptruck is good for two years. But  
22 no I have to have them inspected by officers I have  
23 to have a written statement at least once a month.

24  
25 TS: Whats the ah, whats the paint cans they got up there  
26 on this arson thing here?

27  
28 SR: I told you they took ah, fiberglass resin cans that's  
29 all they got. I don't know what the fuck's up with  
30 paint cans. I don't know why they took them or where  
31 or how or any reason they didn't tell me.

32  
33 TS: Well maybe you left finger prints on. Did you leave

1 anything up there ?

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3 SR: How can you leave anything if you don't take anything.  
4 I came back with my body that's all I took with  
5 me and the clothes I had on that day. There's no foot  
6 prints.

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8 TS: What the hell, what the

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10 SR: And if there, if there is there's no shoes. I don't wear  
11 any shoes I wear a pair of shoes one time. I came  
12 home I used them one time and after everything I  
13 do there burnt. I take no identification. I take  
14 no nothing except the clothes on my back and I us-  
15 ually come back, maybe with a few rips here and  
16 there but I come back. And I throw everything  
17 away everytime I come back.

18

19 TS: All right, let me, now lets see. This is looking at it from  
20 like their view. They evidently got some sort of a  
21 motorcycle involved. Some sort of a long wait from  
22 where you walked to there. They say they got spray  
23 cans or paint cans or something. And you're tell-  
24 ing me that nobody went with you.

25

26 SR: No high grass either.

27

28 TS: There was high grass, trees or something.

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30 SR: There's no high grass, theres no trees up there. The  
31 only thing they have way down over the hill is scrub-  
32 oaks, thorn bushes where you have to be an animal  
33 to get through and I mean high thorn bushes.

1 Eight foot high about, no way through.

2

3 TS: And you went through them.

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5 SR: Absolutely. And you know what? An investigating  
6 officer or a fucking tank wouldn't walk through  
7 there without a machete to cut his way through.

8

9 TS: And then you got up there and then what the hell  
10 did you do?

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12 SR: The something I always do. Tense the hell out of  
13 them.

14

15 TS: The way it stands, Steve they ain't got not a God dam  
16 thing on you

17

18 SR: For a truck driver he's pretty smart.

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20 TS: Where he? Where did that trailer end up?

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22 SR: Back door.

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24 TS: Why didn't he just pull it right up to the door. You  
25 know a lot of people have been waiting for their's  
26 as long as we have.

27

28 SR: This is a great business it went in before the highway.  
29 They knew the high way was coming. That's the  
30 welder just went downstairs. That's the guy that  
31 was out there fucking welding. There's a gameroom  
32 downstairs.

33

1 TS: What takes so long, this is a hell of a truckstop  
2 though. You starve to death in here before you get  
3 your food.

4  
5 SR: This stuff that Flugel alibied you for, they had, they  
6 showed me papers that they come to pick you up.

7  
8 TS: Huh?

9  
10 SR: They showed me papers that they come to pick you up  
11 and they said that Flugel alibied you. They went  
12 for warrants for your arrest you remember like  
13 everybody else got.

14  
15 TS: Yeah.

16  
17 SR: And they said Flugel alibied you.

18  
19 TS: Maybe that's what their after me now for. There going  
20 to arrest me?

21  
22 SR: Yeah, I tell you they had papers to come get you.  
23 But this is when, you know when we went, we  
24 went where we were fingerprinted and all that crap  
25 like your normal arrest warrant.

26  
27 TS: Well maybe they think I was the other guy involved  
28 in that thing up there.

29  
30 SR: They haven't said anything to me about that. Nothing.  
31 There's nothing they can say.

32  
33 TS: They haven't even asked you about the arson?

1 SR: Um. But the day.

2

3 TS: They evidently have no idea who did that then.

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5 SR: Right, they gave me um, they tried like when there  
6 was four of them when we went to get finger-  
7 printed and have our pictures taken and stuff

8

9 TS: Did you see the paperwork on me.

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11 SR: Just the form that they said well we have his right  
12 here and we went to serve it right and ah, Flugel  
13 alibied you. Is what they said. They went the, I  
14 was thinking it had something to do with that black.

15

16 TS: What did Flugel have to do with that? Flugel hasn't  
17 told me about any of that.

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19 SR: Flugel said he alibied you. That's why they didn't  
20 arrest you. Cause you were suppose to be next after  
21 Otto. They went to Otto's last and.

22

23 TS: Otto got arrested? What did they arrest him for?

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25 SR: Well Otto hasn't been fingerprinted yet.

26

27 TS: But they arrested him.

28

29 SR: Oh, no I'm mixed up. That time they went to Otto's  
30 last and they new that was just for the hearing. You  
31 did go to the hearing in Harrisburg.

32

33 TS: Yeah.



1 SR: And then after that right when we were finishing  
2 with all the other people like there was 60 people  
3 we were arrested at the preliminary hearing up in  
4 Pike County or wherever it is and it was written in  
5 the paper my picture was in the paper and everything  
6 with Fran's. Well with all them people they had  
7 one paper for you in it too. At that time and they  
8 said Flugel alibied you and that's when they asked  
9 me if Flugel would lie for you. The only thing I  
10 told them as far as I know all cops lie. I said  
11 I don't know him that well. I don't know if he  
12 did it. So what the hell could he alibi you for?

13  
14 TS: Well ah, I hope people just got their. Now,  
15 terrible.

16  
17 SR: How could you not know. I mean the guy alibied  
18 you for something they had papers for you.

19  
20 TS: He didn't say nothing yet. Maybe he's working with  
21 them too. I don't know who to trust anymore.

22  
23 SR: The only thing it could be is them taking a lot of  
24 support off me and you.

25  
26 TS: This is bull shit really. Waiting this long for some-  
27 thing to eat. Did you folks order?

28  
29 Unknown voice: No.

30  
31 TS: Wow, alright.

32  
33 SR: This is what happens when you get around ten o'clock

1 in the morning. So you have no idea what he  
2 alibied you for huh?

3

4 TS: I would like to know, yeah I really would I'll  
5 have to figure out something.

6

7 SR: Huh, huh.

8

9 TS: Yeah. I wonder, I wonder what their coming  
10 back down to my house for. I don't understand  
11 if they know what's.

12

13 SR: How do you know it's them.

14

15 TS: True. Maybe it's just the Troopers involved huh? The  
16 kids told me about it.

17

18 SR: Golden is the one that always tries to play them head  
19 games.

20

21 TS: I only ever saw him one time and that was down at  
22 the, ah.

23

24 SR: Golden's looking into Swiderski.

25

26 TS: Is he? Boy must of had some trouble, huh? Chef  
27 walk out or something?

28

29 Female voice: No, they just have a few of them... they  
30 put it all on separate plates for you too.

31

32 TS: That's for him.

33

1 Female voice: You had coffee correct.

2

3 SR: No, I have a double order of eggs, ham and a  
4 double order of toast.

5

6 TS: You sure you got the right table?

7

8 Female voice: Here's your milk, here's your eggs

9

10 TS: Okay.

11

12 Female voice: He put them all on separate plates.

13

14 TS: All right.

15

16 Female voice: And your coffee will be right up.

17

18 SR: I didn't order coffee.

19

20 Female voice: You ordered the ham.

21

22 SR: Right.

23

24 Female voice: Okay.

25

26 TS: Mouth full of food too. I'm not even hungry anymore.  
27 Might as well wait for lunch.

28

29 SR: ... plenty of them people so I can at least get  
30 through.

31

32 TS: Now if you just go straight up this road I find that  
33 place huh?

1 SR: I can ride up with you.

2

3 TS: Au, au. You stay right here.

4

5 SR: You worry, you worry to much. I can go up there any-  
6 time I want and nobody can tell me I can't.

7

8 TS: Now, if we go by there.

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10 SR: Furthermore, when I go in there the nut won't. When  
11 I go...

12

13 TS: We go that.

14

15 SR: in there and ask for directions that guy don't even  
16 know me. We can pull in the parking lot and turn  
17 around.

18

19 TS: We drive by that place. Can we drive around it?  
20 Whereabouts you got into it. So you could, you could,  
21 so I can at least take a look.

22

23 SR: We can go up turn right back out no problem. I mean  
24 there's other places back there.

25

26 TS: See something funny.

27

28 SR: Have to have that...

29

30 TS: Ha, ha, that's bad.

31

32 SR: You know if you would have come and talk to us  
33 before that Harrisburg hearing I think things

1 would have went a lot easier cause I just didn't  
2 know what to say. I had no idea. I'm glad they  
3 didn't ask the questions that I didn't want them  
4 to ask cause if they did I had no answers for them.

5  
6 TS: Where you get that truck? From A J supermarket  
7 cars from on 940 or what?

8  
9 SR: I R.'s remember J.R. Ewing from the Dallas show  
10 on TV.

11  
12 TS: J.R. Ewing.

13  
14 SR: Yeah.

15  
16 TS: Did you get a good buy on it too?

17  
18 SR: No this is ah, Pittston. The Ford dealer in Pittston.  
19 I leased it.

20  
21 TS: That's a pretty good deal aint it?

22  
23 SR: Yeah, I got three of them I think so.

24  
25 TS: You can have that Steve I'm not hungry.

26  
27 SR: Yeah, Squiddley don't know it yet, but Vician's  
28 preparing a long list for him.

29  
30 TS: What the hell popped, what the hell popped when,  
31 when that place burned up there? Gastanks?

32  
33 SR: Yeah, I can tell you. They didn't tell you?

1 TS: Um, um.

2

3 SR: Televisions make louder noise then that.

4

5 TS: Was there some grass in there? You just lit the  
6 grass.

7

8 SR: I told you there parked in the guys yard. They have  
9 to pay that guy so much a month to keep them  
10 vehicles there.

11

12 TS: This is a pretty good, safe place to meet isn't it.

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14 SR: Yeah, 24 hours a day this place is open. You know  
15 what? This ah, the only thing they could possible  
16 have on that Firebird from what they say is the  
17 door belongs to a 77 all right. They no that's a  
18 lie, but they ain't got it so they can say it now  
19 right. They figure they can say it and I would  
20 bring the door back or something and prove to  
21 them their lying. There's no number on it.

22

23 TS: What did you do with the door.

24

25 SR: That's totally wasted. See what I did is went and  
26 got a receipt for my door. The guy that put that  
27 door on my car right. The insurance company  
28 approved, mine got kicked in by a deer right. He  
29 got me the door and the bodyshop that put it on gave  
30 me a receipt. I have all the insurance papers  
31 right. The guy that signed it. The guy that did  
32 the bodywork how much he charged me. And he  
33 went and got his receipt of where he got the door

1 from.

2

3 TS: That's good. I don't see any problem with that.

4

5 SR: You know what I see a problem with?

6

7 TS: What?

8

9 SR: The Truck. And one of the biggest problems is because  
10 there's two dam different years in your inspection  
11 records.

12

13 TS: Well I ain't got my inspection.

14

15 SR: When they asked you why it, it's like that. You told  
16 them it's problem stolen.

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18 TS: And who did I tell that to?

19

20 SR: Horek, Alexander Horek.

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22 TS: Did he testify to that?

23

24 SR: Horek's out of there. Horek was to nervous to go  
25 on I think. He wasn't at any of my hearings.

26

27 TS: That would have to be the guy that was at my house.  
28 I though the name was, started with st.

29

30 SR: You won't see Horek nomore. Novatnak took over  
31 for Horek. Horek's out.

32

33 TS: Who's Novatnak?

1 He was Horek's right hand man the guy that was  
2 always with him. But Alexander Horek right. These  
3 guys arn't from the Honesdale barracks they're  
4 Special investigators.

5

6 TS: Well who's all involved in this?

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8 SR: Alexander Horek, Novatnak, Golden and one other  
9 fellow. I got his name written down. I have every-  
10 thing. I have the day the vehicles were stolen.

11

12 TS: Were they up there the day that you burnt that  
13 place?

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15 SR: Not likely they don't work out of that barracks I  
16 told you.

17

18 TS: Well who all was there?

19

20 SR: And if they...

21

22 TS: Who was there? Who was there?

23

24 SR: ... them in Swiftwater.

25

26 TS: You saw, you said you saw when they came out.

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28 SR: Just whoever works night shift. The guy might be  
29 there now and whoever works the radio and the guy  
30 that's out on the road they might have two. One  
31 works the radio and one patrols the area. They  
32 don't have a big area to patrol.

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1 TS: Well who put the fire out?

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3 SR: Those guys.

4

5 TS: Who did?

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7 SR: The fire comedy come right after that.

8

9 TS: The guys.

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11 SR: One come running out with a foam extinguisher and  
12 the other one come running out with a firehose ten  
13 minutes later. It isn't something that went out right  
14 away it just, it was just that, it kind of picked  
15 its self up. Didn't stay in the same area, okay.  
16 It was good. Like a well oiled plan. Just enough  
17 to get attention. Do you realize what it's costing  
18 them people to fence them in there like that.  
19 Another way they tried to nail me is they tried  
20 to say mine was the only one that burnt and they  
21 did that right up to Harrisburg. All the way they  
22 keep spreading that lie. All the way.

23

24 TS: Wasn't yours the only one?

25

26 SR: There was at least a dozen. They was there for  
27 three hours running around.

28

29 TS: There were there for three hours.

30

31 SR: I had to check a couple of those cop cars out  
32 close you know.

33

1 TS: Steve eat this I don't want it.

2

3 SR: Taste alright don't it.

4

5 TS: Hm. Can I have some of that water. Here.

6

7 SR: What was that other guys that went up there with  
8 um. The guy from Stricklands. Don Williams and  
9 that other guy.

10

11 TS: Yeah, what the hell is their involvement?

12

13 SR: Well they went to identify the truck, but what's  
14 the other guys name?

15

16 TS: What other guy?

17

18 SR: That went with Williams. He's related to his sister.  
19 Brother-in-law or something. He works for Strick-  
20 lands also. He drove the blue dumptruck.

21

22 TS: I have no idea.

23

24 SR: If you think about it long enough you'll remember.

25

26 TS: What about this Williams guy. Did he ID it or  
27 what?

28

29 SR: They say so.

30

31 TS: I'm trying to think of the other guy that was  
32 with him.

33

1 SR: Getz.

2

3 TS: What's his name Getz ?

4

5 SR: Getz.

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7 TS: Getz. I don't even know who in the hell that would  
8 be.

9

10 SR: Sure you do. You talked to him dozen's of times.

11

12 TS: Getz. The real old man that worked for Stricklands.

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14 SR: That's what I told you.

15

16 TS: Little tiny scrony guy.

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18 SR: Yeah, he drove the blue dumptruck. The real small  
19 blue dumptruck.

20

21 TS: They never brought that truck to the garage.

22

23 SR: Yeah they did.

24

25 TS: Remember he always took it to Skip.

26

27 SR: You had a transmission put in that for them. Trans-  
28 mission and transfer-case up in Scranton. That's  
29 why I want you to go through your records and find  
30 that.

31

32 TS: Alright.

33

1 SR: That dates the exact. See you sent Chris Nauman  
2 up to pick that truck up after it had the trans-  
3 mission and he drove, was driving it back it ran  
4 out of Gas. I went up with my brown truck to  
5 pick that blue truck up to give him gas. Chris  
6 and I raced down the road like a 100 miles an  
7 hour with them two trucks that's why he remem-  
8 bers it. That was Norms...

9  
10 TS: Well did you get Chris?

11  
12 SR: Transmission. Yeah.

13  
14 TS: Did you talk to Chris?

15  
16 SR: Yeah.

17  
18 TS: That's good.

19  
20 SR: I got everybody. The only one I didn't have was  
21 you. And it's hard to get to you because I'm  
22 finding it very hard to accept you know.

23  
24 TS: Well I ain't a cop no more.

25  
26 SR: Yeah, but see it isn't just this shit. It's that time  
27 when we had that trouble at the mill with Joe.  
28 I know you're the one that turned me in for that.  
29 That was your second, that was your first attempt.

30  
31 TS: Wow, look at that.

32  
33 SR: Why would you do that though. Did you think

1 I was in over my head? Did you think I was  
2 doing something to Joe I shouldn't be doing?  
3

4 TS: That's the way I figured it. They never pressed  
5 charges on you anyhow for that.  
6

7 SR: How could they? What did I do? Joe knew  
8 what I was doing. The only one that didn't know  
9 was you.  
10

11 TS: So you made me look like a horse's ass then didn't  
12 you?  
13

14 SR: No you still don't know you look like a horse's ass.  
15

16 TS: You just told me.  
17

18 SR: You just found out now. You didn't look like a  
19 horse's ass you was completely behind cover you  
20 didn't know I knew it was you until the other  
21 day when I told you. And you kept right on  
22 being nice to me when you were sure that I  
23 didn't know.  
24

25 TS: Well...

26  
27 SR: Yeah.  
28

29 TS: I better get the hell up there, see what's going on.  
30 I can drive right round that place right?  
31

32 SR: I'll go with you.  
33

1 TS: No, no, no.

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3 SR: But ah, at that time when that happened right  
4 what we did we had good reasons for doing it and  
5 there was no other why of doing it, it's one of  
6 those things where you can't trust anybody else.  
7 And they were bleeding Joe dry and there was  
8 no way to get out from under it. Except for some  
9 one taking the fall and I did and that's what  
10 opened a can of worms you know. That's just the  
11 way it boils down. Couldn't trust anyone else to do  
12 it though.

13

14 TS: Well, I'm gonna go. I can't believe you even made  
15 it through. What an outfit.

16

17 SR: You know, have you have to understand it was hard  
18 for me to trust anybody even at that time, because  
19 you're telling me not to trust people. Joe telling me  
20 not to trust you. My Father-in-law telling me not  
21 to trust. Everybody telling me not to trust people. I  
22 need someone I had to trust back then.

23

24 TS: Yeah.

25

26 SR: The biggest bull shit maker is Squiddley and Lynett.

27

28 TS: Yeah, that's that's, that's, when that comes out  
29 that's going to be comical as shit. Him, him having  
30 those dam things in his house.

31

32 SR: You know what? All I want to do is get him for  
33 the liar he is. We have him set up for that he gets

1        it one way or the other. You know, if you can't  
2        get me say okay. Come to me and say well maybe  
3        we'll get you next time that's it. All he's got to  
4        do is be a man. He don't have to sneak around  
5        the bush and make up lies and stories. I know  
6        there was no missing...

7  
8        TS: He seems to think. He seems to think that he  
9        has you on that, on that car.

10  
11       SR: number. No way the only thing he got is the  
12        number on the door and he's lying through his  
13        teeth about that. Who had the door before he had  
14        it? I did. Who had the door after he had it?  
15        I did. I know the facts. I know he's lying. Otto  
16        said every time they run it, it was different. I just  
17        hope he don't drag Flugel in to it.

18  
19       TS: I didn't know anything about that one either what  
20        did you drive through the door when you leave open  
21        the door or leave a thank you card or?

22  
23       SR: I didn't leave anything. It went off like clock  
24        work like usual. Went very well. Everything  
25        went according to plan.

26  
27       TS: And you were up there for three hours before you  
28        went ahead with that up there.

29  
30       SR: I take my time. I like to know where everybody  
31        is and what everybody is doing.

32  
33       TS: That must of went huh, they were.

1 SR: They're not telling you the truth because they  
2 want to know if you can fill in the blanks.  
3 Cause if you can fill in the blanks then you know  
4 something you know what I mean I don't have  
5 nothing. I don't say anything to them. Everytime  
6 they question me about anything I don't know  
7 nothing.  
8

9 TS: All right I'll see you Steve.  
10

11 SR: What's your hurry.  
12

13 TS: Oh, I got to pee. See you later.  
14

15 SR: What's your hurry. Lets take a ride up. I'll show  
16 you where it's at. We can take your car or mine.  
17 Here. We have to wait for them to give us a check  
18 anyhow. This is your's isn't ?  
19

20 TS: Yeah. I'll take it with me. Let's go over there.  
21

22 SR: She has to give us a check. But um, it ain't  
23 any big problem, but if we wait until the last  
24 month it might be... Do you know where old  
25 man Hawk is?  
26

27 TS: Yeah, he's dead.  
28

29 SR: The old man?  
30

31 TS: Yeah, yep-  
32

33 SR: Hawk.



1 TS: Yep.

2

3 SR: How about his brother Kevin? Do you know where  
4 Kevin is?

5

6 TS: I don't know where Kevin is. I'll take a drive  
7 up there after and see what the hell's going on.  
8

9 SR: I want another couple of witnesses.

10

11 TS: Give me a call. Give me a call when you get a  
12 chance to... anything you think about. I'll look  
13 through those records and see what I can come  
14 up with.

15

16 SR: Cause I want you to find a receipt for their  
17 truck. Stricklands truck from that company  
18 so we have to date it back.

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20 TS: What transmission joint that go to?

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22 SR: Norms Transmission in Scranton. Okay and then the  
23 one from my truck right. See the reason...

24

25 TS: That one says Blakeslee.

26

27 SR: Yeah.

28

29 TS: They were in the shop at the same time.

30

31 SR: No. Long time apart. Mine was just.

32

33 Female voice: Thank you.

1 SR: Thank you. Mine was just recently you know, like  
2 a few years ago down in Blakeslee when Cheet  
3 worked for you. The other one was done when  
4 I worked for you. I have the receipt right here  
5 that got your garage on it and your name on my  
6 transmission okay.

7  
8 TS: Well where did you get that from?

9  
10 SR: From Cheet. Your secretary made it out who ever  
11 the blond is. I had to work. I couldn't do it  
12 don't you remember on my truck. I gave him my  
13 truck and he took it over there and had it done.  
14 I got it back. I paid the bill right. I gave him  
15 cash for it right. We checked...

16  
17 TS: Well who the hell paid. I never saw the money  
18 for that.

19  
20 SR: Well that's too bad. They charged me for it. And  
21 you can ask Cheet about it okay. And then I  
22 had to bring it back because the detent cable  
23 wasn't working right. But Cheet sent me right  
24 over there I dropped it off for another day. There  
25 was no charge for that okay.

26  
27 TS: What's a detent cable?

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29 SR: It goes from the carburetor down to the trans-  
30 mission.

31  
32 TS: Oh.

33

1 SR: But, um.

2

3 TS: And, that's, and that's your truck was at Blakelee.

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5 SR: They put the motor. And then,

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7 TS: That was at Norms. What year?

8

9 SR: the transmission and transference.

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11 TS: What year?

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13 SR: I'm not sure.

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15 TS: Well find the dates. Approximately, and I'll start,  
16 and I'll start looking.

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18 SR: Yeah, but I don't, you know, you can, I can  
19 give you my copy of the bill and you can use  
20 my number off my bill for your garage. But  
21 what I want is a receipt from their garage  
22 okay cause I don't want you to be involved in  
23 that cause if they say that transmission right  
24 there they got a number off of it and that's got  
25 to be untrue cause I got it from the people  
26 over here that had nothing to do with me if there's  
27 a number that says that's hot then them people  
28 over there are responsible for it.

29

30 TS: Over where?

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32 SR: Over at that trans mission place. They put it in.

33

1 TS: They put a hot transmission in your truck.

2

3 SR: No. I don't know that they did. This is what they  
4 told me at the hearing, that they got a number  
5 off there that says that's hot okay. And that can't  
6 be. I figure it's a lie. It can't be unless those  
7 people are pulling some bull shit. But if you could  
8 ask them for a receipt, you know for your company  
9 then I can take that one instead.

10

11 TS: All right you try and find out what approximate  
12 dates they are. Get in touch with me as soon  
13 as possible and I'll let you know if these guys  
14 balk how's that. And your telling me right now  
15 that you're the only one that up to there. And that  
16 you're the only one that went.

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18 SR: I'm the only one that does anything to my cars. The  
19 only one. That's it.

20

21 TS: And you didn't take anything up there to light  
22 that?

23

24 SR: Could you carry what ever they say. How many things  
25 do you think you could carry at once if you're going  
26 to drive a bike. It takes two hands and two  
27 feet to drive a bike. How long do you think you  
28 could work with a bike in each hand, forever?  
29 And it would slow you up, you ain't going to run no-  
30 where. How do you drag all this stuff through the  
31 woods. It just doesn't make sense. You know,  
32 what's grate about everywhere you go if you want  
33 to do something everything you need to do it with

1 is usually right in front of your face all the time.

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3 TS: Was there snow on the ground at that date when  
4 you were up there?

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6 SR: Naw. December.

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8 TS: September 29, 1984, there could have been snow  
9 on the ground.

10

11 SR: Naw, definitely not. You don't

12

13 TS: I don't know how the hell they could have figured  
14 out that you road a bike up there then.

15

16 SR: They didn't.

17

18 TS: Did you, how many, how many, how many miles away  
19 did you put the bike?

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21 SR: It's got to be eight, ten miles. I can show you the  
22 spots even. It's, it's nothing but solid woods from  
23 here to there all the way.

24

25 TS: And um.

26

27 SR: We could get there. If you walk from my house  
28 across the lake you can go straight through  
29 the woods and get there quicker then you could  
30 by the road much shorter.

31

32 TS: Okay. I'm um, if they ask me about you I'm going

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1 to deny every freaking thing.

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3 SR: You have to because you know I have to deny  
4 everything. We don't know nothing about the  
5 Firebird. The only thing I want you to stick  
6 together on is the Pinto. I don't want to be  
7 telling them one thing and you telling them  
8 another. Now.

9

10 TS: All right you get the dates on those things and I'll  
11 see what I can do.

12

13 SR: Another thing with the Bronco is the title okay.

14

15 TS: What about that now. Tell me something about the  
16 title for the Bronco.

17

18 SR: Yeah, I haven't told them where I got it from  
19 except from Harrisburg. I went and filled  
20 forms out and a state Trooper...

21

22 TS: Well Steve they know that.

23

24 SR: inspected it and they sent the forms back okay.  
25 And they sent it back with the plate. I have the  
26 paper that told me where to put my plate on the  
27 Bronco. What their saying is the title come from  
28 Davis. And Davis is going to say that he gave  
29 that car to you.

30

31 TS: Well then I gave that car to you.

32

33 SR: That, that isn't one of the questions they asked

1 me. I didn't involve you at. They asked me  
 2 if I ever brought ah, Pinto or Maverick or  
 3 something from Davis. I said no. I said I  
 4 don't even know the man. I never bought nothing  
 5 off of him. I said if my names on the title  
 6 then.

7  
 8 TS: Then where did you get the title transfer from  
 9 the Pinto?

10  
 11 SR: I told em I did it through the barracks that's  
 12 just what I told em. I had no plates I says  
 13 I went and got the special form I had to because  
 14 I couldn't get a legitimate title for the truck.  
 15 I went through the barracks.

16  
 17 TS: You mean a state trooper approved everything on  
 18 that truck?

19  
 20 SR: Everything. Okay, and ah, the only thing they did.

21  
 22 TS: Who did the initial inspection on it then?

23  
 24 SR: It had to be your garage that's the only place.

25  
 26 TS: No, no, no, that when, when you get that kind  
 27 of title back you still have to have an initial  
 28 inspection.

29  
 30 SR: A cop or an inspection mechanic. That could  
 31 have been any garage mechanic.

32  
 33 TS: Oh.

1 When it's a cop does it all he does is walk out side  
2 and checks the VIN number right...

3  
4 TS: Huh, huh.

5  
6 SR: on the door, checks under the hood and on the  
7 motor and he calls them in and if they come back  
8 clear it's alright. And they all came back clear.

9  
10 TS: Huh, huh.

11  
12 SR: They're fishing and fishing with a lot of bull shit.

13  
14 TS: All right, I'll get those dates and we'll get together.  
15 I got a hot number lined up.

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18 END OF TAPE NO. 25, SIDE TWO, CASE NO. 21-298  
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22 TAPE NO. 25, SIDE ONE, CASE NO. 21-298  
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26 TS: Nope. I don't even think I'm going near the place.  
27 Hope you like my music. I'll meet you down the  
28 road in about 10 minutes.

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30  
31 Static and music.

32  
33 TS: Turn around baddy. Stay put. Take a right.



1 Radio we play more of your favorite music with  
2 WGBI FM.

3

4 TS: Oh, shit, that's him? Looks more like a drug buy.  
5 87654.

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7 James A. Dill: Surveillance terminated about  
8 the 11:17 A.M.

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11 END OF TAPE NO. 25, SIDE ONE, CASE NO. 21-298  
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